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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Sophie VANPOULLE, Stanislas GALAJ, Xavier ANDRIEU
COATING FOR OPTICAL FIBERS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
THEREOF

Assignee: ALCATEL

Our Ref. Q66965

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 7 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 1 sheet of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Preliminary Amendment.

**PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE
CALCULATING THE FEE**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	6 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$740.00

TOTAL FEE

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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from November 07, 2000 based on European Application No. 00403080.5. The priority document is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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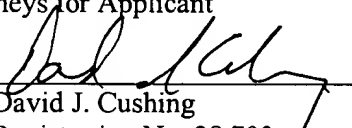
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